

# **RVCQ3D Rotor Viscous Code Quasi-3-D User's Manual and Documentation**

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## **Abstract**

RVCQ3D (Rotor Viscous Code Quasi-3-D) is a rapid computer code for analysis of inviscid or viscous blade-to-blade flows in turbomachinery. It accounts for the quasi-three-dimensional effects of rotation, radius change, and stream surface height variation. The code has been used at NASA Glenn and in U.S. industries and universities for a wide variety of problems including analysis of turbopump blades for the Space Shuttle main engine, analysis of roughness effects on fan blades, and the design of supersonic fan blades. The code runs quickly on most computers. This report serves as the user's manual and documentation for the RVCQ3D code. The code and some aspects of the numerical method are described. Steps for code installation and execution are given. The grid, input, and output variables are described in detail.

## **Introduction**

RVCQ3D is a rapid computer code for analysis of quasi-three-dimensional viscous flows in turbomachinery. RVCQ3D is applicable to most types of turbomachinery including compressors and turbines with axial, radial, or mixed flows. The code solves the thin-layer Navier-Stokes equations on a blade-to-blade surface of revolution using central or upwind finite-difference techniques. Three turbulence models are available – the Baldwin-Lomax model, the Cebeci-Smith model, and Wilcox's 2006  $k-\omega$  model. RVCQ3D is written completely in Fortran and runs quickly on a Linux workstation. RVCQ3D will run on a PC or Mac, but the user will have to make the appropriate conversions. Solution files are compatible with most CFD flow visualization packages.

The code uses an explicit multistage Runge-Kutta solution scheme to march the solution in time from an initial guess to a steady-state solution. A spatially-varying time step and implicit residual smoothing are used to accelerate convergence. Preconditioning can be used to accelerate convergence for low speed flows.

C-type grids are used to give good resolution of blade leading edges and wakes. Grid input is in standard PLOT3D xyz-file format, so any C-grid generator can be used. However, the GRAPE code developed by Reece Sorenson at NASA Ames Research Center [1] has been modified for turbomachinery by the author, and works directly with RVCQ3D. GRAPE is distributed by the NASA Glenn Research Center Software Repository, <http://sr.grc.nasa.gov>.

Namelist input data is supplied to RVCQ3D as text file. Typical solutions take 2000-3000 iterations to converge and require a few minutes on a fast PC, depending on grid size and flow characteristics. Printed output consists of a residual history, spanwise profiles of blade-to-blade averaged quantities at the grid inlet and exit, and streamwise profiles of various quantities on the blade surfaces. No graphical output is provided, but the solution files can be read directly and plotted using the public domain CFD visualization codes PLOT3D, or the commercial codes FieldView, and Tecplot.

This documentation briefly describes how the RVCQ3D code works. Instructions for dimensioning, compiling, and running RVCQ3D are given for Linux workstations. The namelist input variables are described in detail. Finally, the structure of the output file is described.

Four test cases are included: a flat plate boundary layer, a subsonic turbine stator, an annular compressor cascade, and a centrifugal impeller, (see Test Cases, page 16). A separate Fortran program plate.f is included for generating the flat plate grid. Grids for the turbomachinery test cases must be generated with the GRAPE code that is distributed separately. The test cases cover most of the input options available in the code. Comparisons to experimental data, when available, are included in separate Excel files.

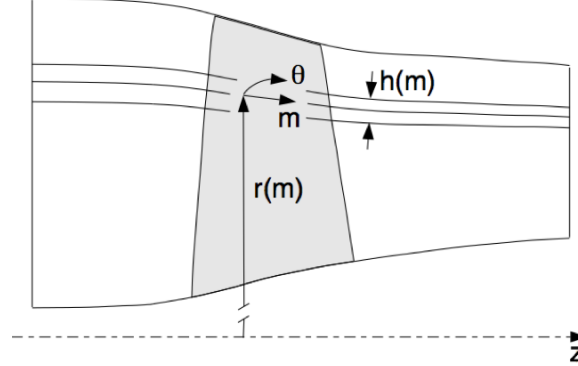


Figure 1. Quasi –three-dimensional stream surface for an axial compressor.

## Formulation

RVCQ3D solves the Euler or thin-layer Navier-Stokes equations written on a surface of revolution as shown in Fig. 1. The full equations are given in [2]. The equations are written along a stream surface in an  $(m, \theta)$  coordinate system, where  $m$  is the arc length along the surface, and  $\theta$  is in the blade-to-blade direction. Terms are included for rotation around the  $m$ -axis.

The stream surface radius  $r$  and thickness  $h$  are assumed to be known functions of  $m$ .  $R$  and  $h$  may be obtained from an axisymmetric throughflow analysis, or  $r$  can be estimated at a constant fraction of blade height, and  $h$  can be taken as a fraction of local span.

The equations are mapped to a body-fitted coordinate system using standard finite-difference techniques. All viscous terms are dropped in the streamwise ( $\xi$ ) direction using the thin shear layer approximation. The equations are differenced using either second-order finite differences [3] or the AUSM<sup>+</sup> upwind scheme [4]. Turbulence effects are modeled using the Baldwin-Lomax [5], Cebeci-Smith [6, 7], or Wilcox  $k-\omega$  [8, 9] turbulence models.

Early work with RVCQ3D used the central difference scheme and the Baldwin-Lomax turbulence model, but more recent work has shown that the AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme and  $k-\omega$  model are more robust and accurate.

An explicit multistage Runge-Kutta scheme based on the work of Jameson, Schmidt, and Turkel [3] is used to solve the difference equations, which are marched in time from an initial guess to a steady-state solution. The user may choose the number of stages in the scheme. A spatially-varying time step is used to accelerate the convergence rate, but the code may be run with a constant time step and second-order time accuracy by changing an input flag. The explicit scheme has a stability limit on the time step (a Courant number of about 2.8 for a four stage scheme.) Implicit residual smoothing is used to increase the allowable time step and thus increase the convergence rate. Preconditioning may also be used to accelerate convergence for low-speed (incompressible) flows [10, 11].

## Non-Dimensionalization

The grid xyz-file may be input in any arbitrary units of length. The input parameters to RVCQ3D and the output solution file are strictly nondimensional with the exception of lengths, which must be input in the same units as the grid.

All quantities are nondimensionalized by an arbitrary reference stagnation state defined by total density  $\rho_{0ref}$  and total sonic velocity  $c_{0ref}$ . A reference viscosity  $\mu_{0ref}$  is taken at the stagnation temperature  $T_{0ref} = c_{0ref}^2 / (\gamma R)$ . Standard conditions are often used for the reference state, but *any* self-consistent state may be used, as long as the units of length are consistent with the grid units. For example, for a compressor in a test cell it is useful to use standard day conditions for the reference state. But for a fan in an engine at flight conditions it is useful to use freestream total conditions for the reference state.

For input and output, pressures and temperatures are nondimensionalized by  $P_{0ref}$  and  $T_{0ref}$ . Within the code, pressures are usually nondimensionalized by  $\rho_{0ref} c_{0ref}^2 = \gamma P_{0ref}$ .

Four input parameters must be properly nondimensionalized: *renr*, *om*, *prat*, and *tw* (See RVCQ3D Input pp. 10.)

## Numerical Method

### Multistage Runge-Kutta Scheme

Jameson, Schmidt, and Turkel developed multistage schemes [3] as a simplification of classical Runge-Kutta integration schemes for ODE's. The simplification reduces the required storage, but also reduces the time-accuracy of the schemes, usually to second order. The following discussion of these schemes should give some guidance in choosing parameters for running the code.

The  $k$ th-stage of an  $n$ -stage scheme may be written as:

$$q^k = q^0 - \alpha^k \Delta t (R_I^k + R_V^0)$$

where  $q$  is an array of five conservation variables (see Solution Q-File, pp. 21),  $k$  is current the stage,  $q^0$  is the previous time step,  $\alpha^k$  are the multistage coefficients discussed below,  $\Delta t$  is the time step,  $R_I^k$  is the inviscid part of the residual, and  $R_V^k$  is the viscous part of the residual plus the artificial dissipation, if applicable. Note that  $R_I^k$  is evaluated at every stage  $k$ , but  $R_V^k$  is only evaluated at the initial stage for computational efficiency.

<b>n</b>	<b><math>\alpha^1</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha^2</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha^3</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha^4</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha^5</math></b>	<b><math>\lambda^*</math></b>
2	1.2	1.				.95
3	.6	.6	1.			1.5
4	.25	.3333	.5	1.		2.8
5	.25	.1667	.375	.5	1.	3.6

Table 1. Runge-Kutta parameters and maximum Courant number for  $n$ -stage schemes.

The maximum stable Courant number  $\lambda^*$  for an  $n$ -stage scheme can be shown to be  $\lambda^* \approx n - 1$ . The actual stability limit depends on the choice of  $\alpha^k$ . For consistency  $\alpha^n$  must equal 1. For second-order time accuracy  $\alpha^{n-1}$  must equal 1/2. The values of  $\alpha^k$  used in the code and the theoretical maximum Courant number  $\lambda^*$  are set by a data statement in subroutine setup and are given in table 1.

The number of stages is set with the variable *nstg*. *Nstg* = 4 is recommended, although Jameson et al. tend to favor 5 stages. The 2-stage scheme (*nstg* = 2) is very robust and often works when everything else fails.

A spatially-varying  $\Delta t$  is used to accelerate the convergence of the code. Setting *ivdt* = 1 sets the Courant number to a constant (input variable *cfl*) everywhere on the grid, and recalculates it every *icrnt* iterations. This option is strongly recommended. Set *icrnt* to a moderate number, e.g. 10, so that the time step is recalculated occasionally. The time step is recalculated when the code is restarted and may cause jumps in the residual if *icrnt* is too big.

Implicit residual smoothing (described later) may be used to increase the maximum Courant number by a factor of two to three, thereby increasing the convergence rate as well.

### Central Difference Scheme and Artificial Viscosity

The central-difference scheme is selected by setting *icdup* = 1 (the default.) It is the fastest of the three differencing schemes used in RVCQ3D, it gives moderately smeared shocks, and it may show velocity overshoots at the edge of boundary layers. It is recommended when quick answers are desired.

Second-order central differences require an artificial viscosity term to prevent odd-even decoupling. A fourth-difference artificial viscosity term is used for this purpose. This term is third-order accurate in space and thus does

not affect the formal second-order accuracy of the scheme. The input variable *avisc4* scales the fourth-difference artificial viscosity, and should be set between 0.25 and 2.0. A good starting value is 1.0. If the solution is wiggly, increase *avisc4* by 0.25. If it is smooth, try reducing *avisc4* by 0.25. Larger values of *avisc4* may improve convergence somewhat, but the magnitude of *avisc4* has little effect on predicted losses or efficiency.

The code also uses a second-difference artificial viscosity term for shock capturing. The term is multiplied by a second difference of the pressure that is designed to detect shocks. Note that the second-difference artificial viscosity is first-order in space, so that the solution reduces to first-order accurate near shocks. Two other switches developed by Jameson, et al. [3] are used to reduce overshoots around shocks. The input variable *avisc2* scales the second difference artificial viscosity. *avisc2* can be set to 0.0 for purely subsonic flows, and is usually set to 1.0 for flows with shocks. If shocks are wiggly, increase *avisc2* by 0.5. If they are smeared out, try decreasing *avisc2* by 0.5. Shocks will be smeared over a few cells regardless of the value of *avisc2*. The magnitude of *avisc2* also has little effect on predicted loss or efficiency.

Eigenvalue scaling described in [12] is used to scale the artificial viscosity terms in each grid direction. This greatly improves the robustness of the code. The artificial viscosity is also reduced linearly by the grid index near walls to reduce its effect on the physical viscous terms. Input variable *jedge* is the index where the linear reduction begins.

For computational efficiency the artificial viscosity is usually calculated only at the first stage of the Runge-Kutta scheme. This works well for most problems, but for difficult problems the robustness of the scheme can be improved by updating the artificial viscosity more often. This is done by setting *ndis* = 2. For *nstg* = 2 or 3 this has no effect. For *nstg* = 4 the artificial viscosity is calculated at stages 1 and 2. For *nstg* = 5 the artificial viscosity is calculated at stages 1, 3, and 5. The physical viscous terms are calculated at the same time as the artificial viscosity. Thus, setting *ndis* = 2 increases the CPU time per stage significantly, but it is so reliable that it is usually the preferred scheme.

### **AUSM<sup>+</sup> Upwind Scheme**

The Advection Upstream Splitting Method (AUSM<sup>+</sup>) upwind scheme is selected by setting *icdup* = 1. It is the least dissipative but slowest of the three differencing schemes used in RVCQ3D. It is recommended for most problems.

The AUSM<sup>+</sup> family of upwind schemes was developed by Meng-Sing Liou and others [4, 13]. The AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme defines a cell interface Mach number based on characteristic speeds from neighboring cells. The interface Mach number is used to determine the upwind extrapolation for the convective part of the inviscid fluxes. A separate splitting is used for the pressure terms. The van Albada limiter is used to estimate interface fluxes with second-order accuracy.

The speed of sound at the cell interface is multiplied by a function that effectively scales the numerical dissipation with the local flow speed, giving appropriate amounts of dissipation for all flow speeds. The scaling function is based on an average interface Mach number that must be limited by a cutoff Mach number *Mref*. In RVCQ3D this is set by input variables *ausmk* and *refm*, where

$$\begin{aligned} ausmk &= 0.5 - 1.0 \\ refm &= \min(Mmax, 1.0) \end{aligned}$$

and *Mmax* is the maximum Mach number expected in the flow. *Ausmk* and *refm* are the only input variables that affect the AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme.

### **H-CUSP Upwind Scheme**

The Convective Upwind Split Pressure (CUSP) upwind scheme is selected by setting *icdup* = 2. It gives the sharpest shocks but is the most dissipative of three differencing schemes used in RVCQ3D. It is second in execution speed. It is only recommended for occasional problems where the AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme will not converge.

CUSP schemes were described by Tatsumi, Martinelli, and Jameson in [14, 15]. The H-CUSP scheme uses the stagnation enthalpy *h* as the conservation variable in the energy equation. The scheme was developed as a flux-split scheme similar to AUSM<sup>+</sup>, but it is implemented as a limited dissipative flux added to a central-difference scheme. Jameson's SLIP limiter is used to produce a second-order non-oscillatory scheme. For computational efficiency the dissipative fluxes are updated less often than the central-difference fluxes. The implementation in RVCQ3D is described in [4].

Like the AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme, the H-CUSP scheme requires a cutoff Mach number, set by input variables *hcuspk* and *refm*, where

$$\begin{aligned} hcuspk &= 0.05 - 0.20 \\ refm &= \min(Mmax, 1.0) \end{aligned}$$

and *Mmax* is the maximum Mach number expected in the flow. *Hcuspk*, *refm*, and *ndis* are the only input variables that affect the H-CUSP scheme.

### **Implicit Residual Smoothing**

Implicit residual smoothing is selected by setting *irs* = 1. It was introduced by Lerat in France and popularized by Jameson in the U.S. as a means of increasing the stability limit and convergence rate of explicit schemes. The idea is simple: run the multistage scheme at a high, unstable Courant number, but maintain stability by smoothing the residual occasionally using an implicit filter. The scheme can be written as follows:

$$(1 - \varepsilon_\xi \delta_{\xi\xi})(1 - \varepsilon_\eta \delta_{\eta\eta}) \bar{R} = R$$

Here  $\varepsilon_\xi$  and  $\varepsilon_\eta$  are constant smoothing coefficients in the body-fitted coordinate directions  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  shown in figure 2. Here  $\delta_{\xi\xi}$  is a second-difference operator,  $\bar{R}$  is the smoothed residual, and  $R$  is the unsmoothed residual.

It can be shown that implicit residual smoothing does not change the solution if the scheme converges. Linear stability theory shows that the scheme can be made unconditionally stable if  $\varepsilon_i$  are big enough, but also shows that the effects of artificial viscosity are diminished as the Courant number is increased. In practice the best strategy is to double or triple the Courant number of the unsmoothed scheme. If the residual is smoothed after every stage, the theoretical 1-D values of  $\varepsilon_i$  needed for stability are given by:

$$\varepsilon_i \geq \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^*} \right)^2 - 1 \right]$$

where  $\lambda^*$  is the Courant limit of the unsmoothed scheme (given in table 1), and  $\lambda$  is the larger operating Courant number. For example, to run a four-stage scheme at a Courant number  $\lambda = 5.6$ , the smoothing coefficient should be:

$$\varepsilon_i \geq \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( \frac{5.6}{2.8} \right)^2 - 1 \right] = 0.75$$

Three variables, *eps*, *epi*, and *epj* are input to RVCQ3D. *Eps* is the overall smoothing coefficient. The 1-D limit for  $\varepsilon$  given above usually works well, but can be increased up to  $2.5 \times$  if the code blows up, and can be decreased slightly to improve convergence if the code is stable. Values of  $\varepsilon$  are scaled within the code at each grid point by multiplying *eps* by the same Eigenvalue scaling coefficients used for the artificial dissipation. This has proven to be quite robust. *Epi* and *epj* can be used to scale *eps* in the i- and j-directions, but they are usually left at their default values of 1.0.

Implicit residual smoothing involves a scalar tridiagonal inversion for each variable along each grid line in each direction. It adds about 20 percent to the CPU time when applied after each stage. Smoothing can be done after every other stage to reduce CPU time (about 7 percent) by setting *irs* = 2, but *eps* must be increased (approximately doubled.) This option is rarely used.

### **Recommended Numerical Parameters**

<b>nstg</b>	<b>ndis</b>	<b>cfl</b>	<b>eps</b>	<b>Comments</b>
2	1	2.5	1.35–1.60	very robust, fast per stage
4	2	5.6	0.75–1.00	good overall scheme
5	2	7.0	1.25–1.50	slow per stage, fast convergence

Table 2 Recommended numerical parameters for three Runge–Kutta schemes.

Table 2 lists recommended parameters for three numerical schemes, in order of the author’s preference. For all schemes use  $irs = 1$ . For the central-difference scheme use  $avisc2 = 1.0$  and  $avisc4 = 0.5$ .

### **Preconditioning**

Preconditioning is selected by setting  $ipc = 1$ . It is used to improve convergence for low speed (incompressible) flows.

Density-based codes like RVCQ3D solve the continuity equation by driving the density residual to zero. For low speed (nearly incompressible) flows the density residual is naturally near zero, and the schemes fail to converge. Preconditioning, described in references [10, 11] improves the convergence rate in two ways. First, it replaces the  $q$ -variables  $q = [ \rho, \rho u, \rho v, e ]$  with variables that are better behaved at low speeds  $W = [ p, u, v, h ]$ , where  $p$  is the pressure and  $h$  is the total enthalpy. Second, it multiplies the equations by a matrix designed to equalize the wave speeds of each equation. The preconditioning matrix has the local flow velocity in the denominator and must be limited when the velocity becomes small. The preconditioning operator is designed so that it has no effect on the steady-state solution.

Preconditioning works extremely well for the Euler equations and less well for the Navier-Stokes equations. It will allow solutions for very low Mach number flows to converge when they would not converge otherwise.

### **Turbulence Models**

The turbulence model is selected using input variable  $ilt$  (Inviscid, Laminar, Turbulent,) see &nam5 - Viscous Parameters, pp. 13.

Three turbulence models are available in RVCQ3D, the algebraic Baldwin-Lomax and Cebeci-Smith models, and Wilcox’s 2006 two-equation  $k-\omega$  models. All three models include transition models and surface roughness effects.

#### **Baldwin-Lomax and Cebeci-Smith Turbulence Models**

The Baldwin-Lomax model is selected by setting input variable  $ilt = 2$ . The model is implemented as described in the original reference [5], except that two constants have been changed to  $C_{cp} = 1.216$  and  $C_{Kleb} = 0.646$ . The length scale for the Baldwin-Lomax model is correlated to the maximum of a function  $f = y|\omega|D$ , where  $y$  is the distance from the wall,  $|\omega|$  is the magnitude of the vorticity, and  $D$  is the Van Driest damping function. In some cases that maximum is not well behaved, so RVCQ3D limits the search to the grid line at  $j$ -index  $jedge$  away from the body. Input variable  $jedge$  should be chosen slightly larger than the largest extent of the boundary layer. Solutions are usually insensitive to values of  $jedge$  if it is big enough, but may under predict viscous effects if it is too small.

The Cebeci-Smith model is selected by setting input variable  $ilt = 3$ . The model is implemented like the Baldwin-Lomax model except that the length scale is found by integrating

$$\int_0^\delta f dy = \delta^* u_e$$

as described in [7]. Here the upper bound of the integral is usually found automatically since  $f \rightarrow 0$  as  $y \rightarrow \delta$ . However, cases with free-stream vorticity can have a non-zero  $f$  outside the boundary layer, so input variable  $jedge$

is used to bound the integral in RVCQ3D. The Cebeci-Smith model is very reliable for turbine heat transfer problems, but is not recommended for transonic compressors that may produce free-stream vorticity behind the bow shock.

Transition is predicted in both models at the location where  $\mu_{turb}/\mu_{lam} > cmutm$ , where  $cmutm$  is an input variable usually set to 14, as recommended in [5]. The model is crude but often works surprisingly well for moderate Reynolds numbers and low free-stream turbulence.

Roughness effects are included in both models using the Cebeci-Chang roughness model [6]. The model modifies the turbulent length scale based on the equivalent sand-grain roughness height in turbulent wall units  $h^+$ . The roughness height is input using variable  $hrough$ , and  $h^+$  is calculated internally. If  $hrough = 0.0$  a model for a hydraulically smooth surface is used.

### **Wilcox k- $\omega$ Turbulence Model**

The k- $\omega$  model is selected by setting input variable  $ilt = 4$  or 5. The model is described in [8], and implemented as described in [9] using a first-order upwind ADI scheme. Two versions of the model are included, a baseline model ( $ilt = 4$ ) and a low Reynolds number model ( $ilt = 5$ ). The baseline model gives a fully turbulent solution that is valid all the way to the wall, unlike k- $\epsilon$  models. The low Reynolds number model includes transition effects.

Wilcox's 2006 model includes a cross diffusion term that reduces dependence on freestream values of  $\omega$ , and a shear stress limiter that reduces the turbulent viscosity when production of turbulent kinetic energy exceeds destruction. The shear stress limiter has been shown to improve results for shock-separated flows. The stress limiter is selected by setting  $isst = 1$ .

Three input parameters affect the k- $\omega$  model, the surface roughness  $hrough$  as described above, the free-stream turbulence level  $tintens$  (typically 0.0 to 0.05), and the free-stream turbulent viscosity  $tmuinf = (\mu_{turb}/\mu_{lam})_{\infty}$ , typically 0.1. Solutions are generally insensitive to  $tmuinf$ , except for the location of transition.

Previous versions of RVCQ3D used a turbulent length scale  $tlength$  instead of  $tmuinf$ .  $tlength$  was awkward to use but has been retained in the code for backward compatibility.

## Unzipping, Compiling, and Running RVCQ3D

RVCQ3D is supplied as a zipped file. It will unzip into a directory with the same name as the file. This documentation should be in the main directory. There are subdirectories for source code and test cases. On a Linux system:

```
unzip rvcq3d_406.zip
```

### Compiling RVCQ3D

Go to the src directory and edit the Makefile. Compiler commands are set for the Intel Linux compiler,

```
FC = ifort -fast
```

Change the commands as necessary for your compiler. Full optimization usually works well. Near the bottom of the Makefile there may be a line that moves the executable to a bin directory. Keep or remove this line as desired.

```
mv rvcq3d ~/bin
```

Save the file and exit.

Most arrays are allocated dynamically, but a few work arrays have fixed maximum dimensions. Edit modules.f90 and modify the maximum dimensions if desired. Default values for most input variables are also set here.

```
parameter (idm=385, jdm=95)
```

Run make. Move the executable to a directory in your path.

Clean up object and executable files if desired by running

```
make clean
```

### Standard Input, Output, and Binary Files

An input file for RVCQ3D is read from Fortran unit 5 (standard input.) Printed output from RVCQ3D is written to Fortran unit 6 (standard output.) Binary files linked to Fortran units 1 - 3 and 7 - 8 may be used by RVCQ3D, depending on input options. The units are used as follows:

fort.1 input grid file, required. See Grid XYZ-File, pp. 21.

fort.2 input solution file, read if *iresti* = 1. See Solution Q-File, pp. 21.

fort.3 output solution file, written if *iresto* = 1. See Solution Q-File, pp. 21.

fort.7 input k- $\omega$  turbulence file, read if *iresti* = 1 and *ilt*  $\geq$  4. See Solution k- $\omega$  File, pp. 21.

fort.8 output k- $\omega$  turbulence file, written if *iresto* = 1 and *ilt*  $\geq$  4. See Solution k- $\omega$  File, pp. 21.

All files are written and read as unformatted binary files. They are not explicitly opened in the code.

### Running RVCQ3D

Files are usually linked to Fortran units before running RVCQ3D,

```
ln xyz.file fort.1
```

```
ln input.q.file fort.2
```

```
ln output.q.file fort.3
```

```
ln input.kw.file fort.7
```

```
ln output.kw.file fort.8
```

then RVCQ3D is run as a standard Linux process:

```
rvqc3d < input_file > output_file &
```

### Shell Script

Rather than linking files manually, Linux c-shell scripts are included for running each case. Briefly, the scripts do the following:

Sets prefixes *pin* and *pout* for input and output files. Input files will be named *pin.q* and *pin.kw*. Output files will be named *pout.out*, *pout.q*, and *pout.kw*. You may want to include the iteration count in the prefixes. If you use the same prefix for both, the output files will overwrite the input files at completion.

```
set pin= ...      #set input prefix here
```



```
set pout= ...      #set output prefix here
```

Links the input and output files to the appropriate Fortran unit numbers. You will have to edit the link for the grid (xyz) file.

```
ln grid.xyz fort.1 #set grid file here
ln $qin fort.2     #restart q input
etc.
```

Links the k- $\omega$  turbulence model files.

```
set kw=1           #set to zero if not running the k-w model
...
endif
```

Cats (concatenates) the namelist data below until the line labeled EOIN to a file called input. Change your RVCQ3D input here.

```
cat > input << EOIN
  'Title goes here'
&nll m=169 ... &end
...
EOIN
```

Runs RVCQ3D in the background and uses tail to follow the output. You can kill the tail command with <control>c.

```
rvqc3d <input > $out &
tail -f $out
```

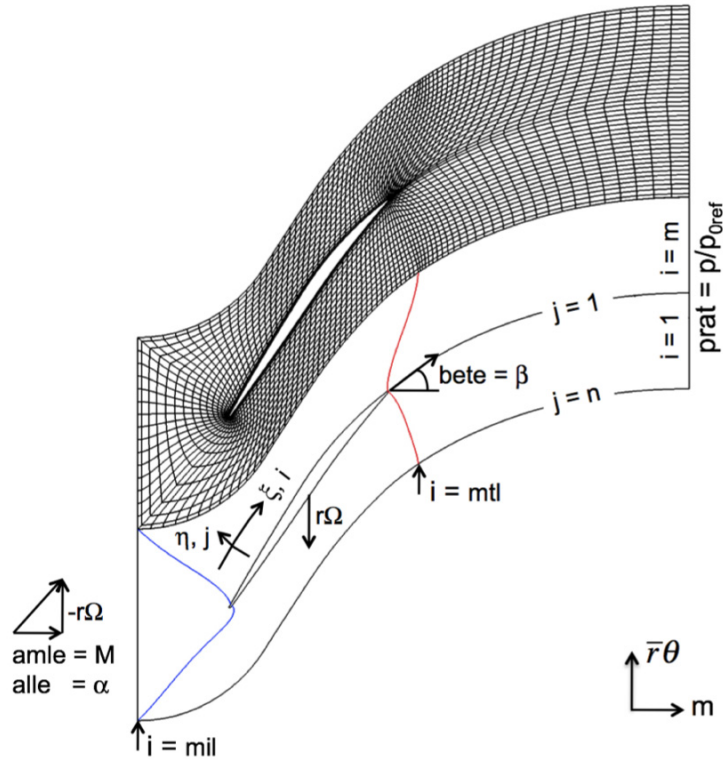


Figure 2. Top – Computational grid for a transonic compressor.  
Bottom: Body-fitted coordinate system, index convention, and boundary conditions.

## RVCQ3D Input

Namelist input variables are input to RVCQ3D in a text file with seven namelist blocks. Namelist blocks are written as

```
&blockname variable1=value variable2=value etc. &end
```

Variables can be input in any order, may be separated by commas (optional), and can usually be defaulted, i.e., not specified at all. Default values for most variables are set in the file modules.f90, and are given here in angle brackets, <default> for an option, or <value> for a numerical value. If no default is given, the value **MUST** be input.

### Title

*ititle* An alphanumeric string of 80 characters or less that is printed to the output file. The character string must be enclosed in single quotes.

### &grid1 - Grid Size and Outer Boundary Parameters (see Fig. 6)

*m* Grid size in i- (streamwise) direction. Must agree with *m* read from the grid file. *m* must be  $\leq idm$ , a parameter defined in modules.f90.

*n* Grid size in j- (blade-to-blade) direction. Must agree with *n* read from the grid file. *n* must be  $< jdm$ , a parameter defined in modules.f90. Note that *jdm* must allow for a dummy grid line added internally for the periodic boundary conditions.

<i>mtl</i>	i-index of lower trailing-edge point on a C-grid. <i>Mtl</i> is printed at the end of the GRAPE output. <i>Mtl</i> can be 1 for a blade that extends to the exit of the grid.
<i>mil</i>	i-index of the last periodic point on the outer boundary. Also acts as the lower point on the inlet boundary. <i>Mil</i> is printed at the end of the GRAPE output.
<i>ich</i>	Cascade / flat plate or duct analysis flag. = 0 Cascade analysis on a C-grid. Trailing edge at <i>mtl</i> , inlet at <i>mil</i> . <default>. = 1 or 2 Flat plate or duct analysis on an H-grid. Symmetry boundary conditions are applied on the lower and upper walls, then overwritten with actual wall boundary conditions from $i = mtl$ to $i = mtr$ . = 1 Wall boundary conditions on the lower wall only. Can be used for a flat plate test case for testing turbulence models. Leading edge at <i>mtl</i> , set <i>mil</i> = <i>m</i> . = 2 Wall boundary conditions on both walls. Can be used to analyze simple duct flows. Set <i>mtl</i> = 1, <i>mil</i> = <i>m</i> .

## **&nam2 - Algorithm Parameters**

<i>icdup</i>	Flag for setting the differencing scheme for the inviscid fluxes = 0 Central differences with artificial viscosity = 1 AUSM <sup>+</sup> upwind scheme = 2 H-CUSP upwind scheme
<i>nstg</i>	Number of stages for the Runge-Kutta scheme, usually 4, but can be 2-5. <4>
<i>ndis</i>	Number of evaluations of the artificial and physical dissipation terms during the Runge-Kutta scheme. (See Central Difference Scheme and Artificial Viscosity on pp. 3.) Can be 1 <default> or 2. If <i>ndis</i> = 2 the dissipative terms are evaluated as follows: <i>nstg</i> = 2 or 3 after stage 1 only (same as <i>ndis</i> = 1) <i>nstg</i> = 4 after stages 1 and 2 <i>nstg</i> = 5 after stages 1, 3, and 5.
<i>avisc2</i>	Second-order artificial dissipation coefficient. Typically 0.0 - 2.0. Use 0.0 for purely subsonic flow or 1.0 for flows with shocks. <1.0>.
<i>avisc4</i>	Fourth-order artificial dissipation coefficient. Typically 0.25 - 1.5. Start at 1.0 and reduce <i>avisc4</i> to 0.5 if possible. <0.5>.
<i>irs</i>	Implicit residual smoothing flag. Usually = 1. (See Implicit Residual Smoothing on pp. 5.) = 0 No residual smoothing = 1 Implicit smoothing after every Runge-Kutta stage <default>. = 2 Implicit smoothing after every other stage. <i>eps</i> must be increased (roughly x 2) for this option to work.
<i>eps</i>	Overall implicit smoothing coefficient based on the 1-D stability limit. (See Implicit Residual Smoothing on pp. 5.) RVCQ3D will calculate the 1-D limit if <i>eps</i> is defaulted.
<i>epi, epj</i>	Implicit smoothing coefficient multipliers for the i- and j-directions. Rarely used. <1>.
<i>ivdt</i>	Variable time step flag. = 0 Spatially constant time step. = 1 Spatially variable time step. <default, highly recommended>.
<i>cfl</i>	Courant number, typically 5.6 (see Multistage Runge-Kutta Scheme on pp. 3.) If <i>ivtstp</i> = 0, <i>cfl</i> is the maximum Courant number for the grid, usually located where the grid spacing is smallest. If <i>ivtstp</i> = 1, the Courant number will equal <i>cfl</i> everywhere. <5.6>

<i>ipc</i>	Preconditioning flag, (see Preconditioning on pp. 6.) Should give a substantial speedup for low Mach numbers < 0.3. = 0 No preconditioning. <default> = 1 Merkel, Choi, Turkel scheme. = 2 Weiss and Smith scheme, very similar to the Merkel, et al. scheme.
<i>refm</i>	Reference relative Mach number used for preconditioning and the AUSM <sup>+</sup> and H-CUSP schemes. For preconditioning, <i>refm</i> should be the lesser of 1.0 or the largest relative Mach number expected in the flow. Convergence is mildly sensitive to <i>refm</i> and <i>pck</i> , so try to keep these values as small as possible. For high speed flows set <i>refm</i> = 0.7, and use <i>ausmk</i> and <i>hcupsk</i> to scale the reference Mach number for the AUSM <sup>+</sup> and H-CUSP schemes. <amle>
<i>pck</i>	<i>Refm</i> multiplier for preconditioning (Turkel's parameter k). Typically 0.1 – 0.3, but larger values may be necessary for stability. <0.15>
<i>ausmk</i>	<i>Refm</i> multiplier for the AUSM <sup>+</sup> scheme. Typically 0.5 – 1.0. <1.0>
<i>hcupsk</i>	<i>Refm</i> multiplier for the H-CUSP scheme. Typically 0.05 – 0.20. <0.1>

### **&nam3 - Boundary Condition & Code Control**

<i>itmax</i>	Number of iterations, typically 1000 - 2000, but more may be needed for a converged solution.
<i>iresti</i>	Flag for reading the input restart files. Restart files are in PLOT3D format in the relative frame. = 1 Read restart q file from fort.2 and k- $\omega$ file from fort.7 else No action taken. <default>
<i>iresto</i>	Flag for writing the output restart file. = 1 Write restart q file to fort.3 and k- $\omega$ file to fort.8. <default> else No action taken.
<i>newkw</i>	Flag for running the k- $\omega$ model with a fixed flow solution, usually from an algebraic model. = 0 No action taken. <default> else Run the k-w model <i>itmax</i> iterations and write the k- $\omega$ file.
<i>ibcin</i>	Old inlet boundary condition flag, now used to set <i>ibcinu</i> and <i>ibcinv</i> , or to set supersonic inflow. <default uses <i>ibcinu</i> and <i>ibcinv</i> > = 1 <i>ibcinu</i> = 1, <i>ibcinv</i> = 1 = 2 Supersonic inflow - all quantities are fixed at the inlet. = 3 <i>ibcinu</i> = 1, <i>ibcinv</i> = 2
<i>ibcinu</i>	Inlet boundary condition flag for meridional velocity component $v_m$ . = 1 Riemann invariant extrapolated from the interior to get $v_m$ . <default> = 2 Total velocity V extrapolated from the interior to get $v_m$ . Often works best for low-speed flows.
<i>ibcinv</i>	Inlet boundary condition flag for tangential velocity component $v_\theta$ . = 1 $v_\theta$ is specified using <i>amle</i> and <i>alle</i> . <default> = 2 $v_\theta/v_m = \tan(\alpha)$ is specified. $\alpha$ is found by extrapolating <i>alle</i> to the upstream boundary. May not be well-posed for transonic compressors where the inflow angle may be set by unique incidence.
<i>ibcex</i>	Exit boundary condition flag. Three conservation variables are extrapolated to the exit. <i>Ibcex</i> determines how the exit pressure p is determined. = 1 The exit pressure is held constant at <i>prat</i> . Good for subsonic outflow. <default>

= 2 Supersonic outflow.  $p$  is extrapolated to the boundary.  
 = 3 The average exit pressure is held constant at  $prat$ , but  $p$  can vary blade-to-blade. Based on characteristic boundary conditions developed by Giles. Good for transonic turbines with shocks leaving the trailing edge.

<i>ires</i>	Iteration increment for writing residuals in the output file. If the solution blows up, set <i>ires</i> = 1 to print the size and location of the maximum residual at each iteration. <10>
<i>icrnt</i>	Iteration increment for updating the time step. If <i>icrnt</i> is too big, the residual history may be discontinuous when $\Delta t$ is recalculated. <10>.
<i>ixrm</i>	Flag for additional output of blade coordinates and radius. = 0 No output <default>. = 1 $x$ , $y$ , and $r$ are printed in the output file.
<i>mioe</i>	Residual history output flag. = 1 Print $r_{max}$ and $\dot{m}_{in}$ . Good for fans. = 2 Print $r_{max}$ and $\dot{m}_{out}$ . Good for choked turbines. = 3 Print $r_{max}$ and $\dot{m}_{error}$ . Good measure of overall accuracy. <default> = 4 Print $\dot{m}_{in}$ and $\dot{m}_{out}$ .

#### **&nam4 - Flow Parameters**

Initial conditions are input in terms of the blade leading edge and trailing edge velocity triangles. Absolute Mach number *amle* and flow angle *alle* are input at the leading edge, and relative flow angle *bete* is input at the trailing edge. An analytic solution of the 1-D continuity equation is used to determine the conditions at the boundaries of the grid.

Inlet boundary conditions are set using the initial conditions described above. Variables *ibcinu* and *ibcinv* determine which of these conditions are held fixed with the solution. Inlet total pressure and total temperature can be input using *p0in* and *t0in* described below.

The exit boundary condition is usually held at a constant static pressure ratio *prat*. Variable *ibcex* determines how *prat* is specified.

<i>p0in</i>	$P_{0in} / P_{0ref}$ at the inlet. Can be used to simulate a blade row in a multistage environment.
<i>t0in</i>	$T_{0in} / T_{0ref}$ at the inlet. Can be used to simulate a blade row in a multistage environment. <1.0>
<i>prat</i>	$P_{exit} / P_{0ref}$ used for the exit boundary condition. < Default calculated from the initial conditions>.
<i>amle</i>	Absolute Mach number at the leading edge. Used for initial conditions. Note that the inlet Mach number will change with the solution for subsonic inflow.
<i>alle</i>	Absolute flow angle at the leading edge in degrees. <Default = 0.0 for axial inflow.>
<i>bete</i>	Relative flow angle at the trailing edge in degrees. Can be estimated by measuring the grid angle at the trailing edge. Only used for initial conditions. <0.0>
<i>g</i>	Ratio of specific heats. < $\gamma = 1.4$ for air>.

#### **&nam5 - Viscous Parameters**

<i>ilt</i>	Inviscid, Laminar, or Turbulent analysis and turbulence model options. = 0 Inviscid Euler solution. The remaining viscous parameters are not used if <i>ilt</i> = 0. = 1 Laminar. Viscous terms are calculated but the turbulent viscosity is zero.
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= 2 Turbulent using the Baldwin-Lomax turbulence model [5, 7]. <default>  
 = 3 Turbulent using the Cebeci-Smith turbulence model [6, 7]. This model works well for turbine heat transfer but may over predict losses for transonic compressors.  
 = 4 Fully turbulent using the baseline Wilcox k- $\omega$  turbulence model [8, 9].  
 = 5 Turbulent with transition using the low Reynolds number Wilcox k- $\omega$  turbulence model [8, 9].

*itur* The turbulence model is updated every *itur* iterations. <5>  
*itur* = 2 is recommended for the k- $\omega$  model  
*itur* = 5 is recommended for the Baldwin-Lomax and Cebeci-Smith models.

*jedge* The last j-index searched for the blade turbulent length scale. For the Baldwin-Lomax model (*ilt* = 2), *jedge* should be a grid line slightly bigger than the largest expected blade boundary layer. For the Cebeci-Smith turbulence model (*ilt* = 3), *jedge* should be a grid line slightly bigger than half the largest expected blade boundary layer. Not used for the k- $\omega$  model. <10>

**NOTE:** *Jedge* is also used to reduce the artificial viscosity in viscous layers if *icdup* = 1. The artificial viscosity is multiplied by a linear function of j-index that goes from  $1/jedge$  at the wall to 1 at  $j = jedge$ . This improves viscous loss predictions. *Jedge* is set to 1 internally for inviscid flow.

*renr* Reynolds number per unit length based on reference conditions,  $renr = \rho_{0ref} c_{0ref} / \mu_{0ref}$ . Must have units of [1/grid units]. Generally much larger than a conventional free stream Reynolds number. For example, for standard conditions and a grid with units of [ft],

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_{0ref} &= 0.07657 \text{ lbf/ft}^3 \\ c_{0ref} &= 1116.7 \text{ ft/sec} \\ \mu_{0ref} &= 3.717 \times 10^{-7} \text{ lbf sec/ft}^2 = 1.197 \times 10^{-5} \text{ lbf/(ft sec)} \\ renr &= 0.07657 \times 1116.7 / 1.197 \times 10^{-5} \\ &= 7.143 \times 10^6 / \text{ft}\end{aligned}$$

*prnr* Prandtl number. <0.7 for air>

*tw* Normalized wall temperature,  $T_{wall} / T_{0ref}$ .  
 = 0 Adiabatic wall boundary conditions are used.  
 = 1  $T_{wall} = T_{0ref}$ .  
 else  $T_{wall} = tw \times T_{0ref}$ .

*vispwr* Exponent for laminar viscosity power law. <0.667 for air>

*cmutm* Value of  $\mu_{turb} / \mu_{laminar}$  at which transition occurs. Baldwin and Lomax recommend 14. Increase to move transition downstream or vice-versa. The flow is fully turbulent if *cmutm* = 0. <14>.

*dblh* Inlet boundary layer thickness on the lower (hub) wall of an H-grid (*ich* = 1 or 2). <0.0>

*dblt* Inlet boundary layer thickness on the upper (tip) wall of an H-grid (*ich* = 2). <0.0>

### **&nam6 - Blade Row Data**

*omega* Normalized blade row rotational speed,  $\Omega / c_{0ref}$ , where  $\Omega$  is the wheel speed in radians per second. *Omega* has dimensions of [1/grid units]. *Omega* is positive in the positive  $\theta$ -direction, and tends to be negative for most GRC geometries. <0>.

*nblade* Number of blades,  $nblade \geq 1$ . <1>  
= 1 Linear cascade with radius = 1 and stream surface thickness = 1.  
> 1 Annular cascade with  $pitch = 2\pi r / nblade$ .

**NOTE:** Since grids are generated independently using the GRAPE code, it is possible that the pitch determined from the grid will not match the pitch determined from *nblade*. In that case RVCQ3D rescales the  $\theta$ -coordinates of the grid to give the correct pitch, and prints a warning in the output file.

*nmn* Number of stream surface input points,  $1 \leq nmn \leq 100$ . <1>  
 $\geq 2$  Stream surface input is read after &nam7 as described below.  
else Linear cascade with radius = 1 and stream surface thickness = 1. No stream surface data is read.

### **&nam7 –k- $\omega$ model parameters**

*hrough* Surface roughness height in grid units. Usually *hrough* = 0 is used to model a hydraulically smooth surface. To model a rough surface like a turbine blade set *hrough* = equivalent sand grain roughness height, or 2 – 4 times the RMS roughness height. If the first grid point off the wall is at  $y^+ = 2$ , then *hrough* must be  $> 2.5 \times \Delta y_{wall}$  to have much effect.  
= 0. Hydraulically smooth surface.  
> 0. Roughness effects are modeled using the Cebeci-Chang model or Wilcox's roughness boundary condition for  $\omega$ .

*tintens* Freestream turbulence intensity as a decimal fraction. Determines the inlet value of k for the k- $\omega$  model. Can be set very small, but a value of zero will give a laminar solution. <default = 0.01, i.e., one percent>

*tmuinf*  $(\mu_{turb} / \mu_{lam})_{\infty}$  Normalized inlet turbulent viscosity. Used to set the inlet value for  $\omega$ . Typically 0.1 or less. Very small values can cause an abrupt decay of  $\omega$  very close to the inlet boundary. <0.1>

*tlength* Old input variable used to determine the inlet value of  $\omega$ . Retained for backwards compatibility. *Tmuinf* is used instead if *tlength* is omitted. <default>  
Turbulent length scale in grid units. Typically  $0.03 \times$  boundary layer height, or  $0.001 \times$  pitch.

*isst* Flag for the stress limiter in Wilcox's 2006 k- $\omega$  model. Limits the turbulent viscosity when production of turbulent kinetic energy exceeds destruction. Works well for shock separated flows.  
= 0 No stress limiter, <default>.  
else Stress limiter is used.

### **Stream Surface Input**

The stream surface coordinates *m*, *r*(*m*), and *h*(*m*) (see Fig. 5.) are input as three arrays of length  $nmn \leq 100$ . *m* and *r* must be in the same units as the grid coordinates. *r* and *h* are spline fit to the grid as functions of *m*, so *m* must increase monotonically, and *r* and *h* should be smooth. Points are extrapolated if *m* does not span the *m*-coordinates of the grid.

*r* and *h* have first-order effects on the flow solution and should be picked carefully. Stream tubes coordinates can be calculated using an axisymmetric throughflow code like Ted Katsanis' MERIDL code (the unusual variable names below were borrowed from MERIDL), or Jim Crouse's compressor design code. For a first guess *h* can be taken as the local blade span, and *r* can be taken as the radius at a certain fraction of that span.

*srsp* *m*-coordinates where *r* and *h* are specified. Must increase monotonically.

*rmsp* *r*-coordinates of the stream-surface at points *srsp*. The magnitude of *rmsp* enters directly into the flow equations in terms like  $r d\theta$ , so the actual values are important.

*besp* Stream-surface thickness  $h$  at points *srsp*. The magnitude of  $h$  is unimportant – only  $dh/(hdm)$  affects the solution, so  $h$  is usually normalized to 1.0 at the inlet and scaled from there. The magnitude of *besp* does affect the printed mass flow, so for linear cascades where the distance between the sidewalls is well defined it may be desirable to leave  $h$  not normalized.

The coordinates are read using three unformatted read statements, e.g.:

```
read(5,*)(srsp(i),i=1,nmn)
read(5,*)(rmsp(i),i=1,nmn)
read(5,*)(besp(i),i=1,nmn)
```

## RVCQ3D Output

Printed output from RVCQ3D is written to Fortran unit 6 (standard output.) The output is divided into several sections. The output may be separated using an editor and plotted using Excel or any x-y plotting package that can read tabular data. The output includes the following information:

- The input variables are echoed back for reference, and any warnings about the input are written.
- A table of  $\theta$ -averaged flow variables at the inlet and exit is written. Both absolute and relative quantities are given. An energy-averaging scheme is used that gives a local, rather than mixed-out average. These variables are either based on the initial guess or on the restart file, depending on how the code is started.
- The convergence history gives maximum and RMS residuals of density, mass flow error, and exit flow properties  $P_{0exit}$  and  $T_{0exit}$  versus iteration.
- Blade surface distributions of the following quantities are written:

m	m-coordinate
mbar	arc length from the leading edge. Subroutine oblade.f has other options for mbar commented out.
rho	$\rho / \rho_{0ref}$
ps	$p / P_{0ref}$
ts	$T / T_{0ref}$
M_isen	Isentropic Mach number
y+	Grid spacing at the wall in turbulent wall units. Should $< 2 - 3$ at most grid points for accurate prediction of losses and heat transfer.
1000*Cf	Skin friction coefficient

$$C_f = \mu \left. \frac{\partial V'}{\partial n} \right|_{wall} / \left( \frac{1}{2} \rho_{in} V_{in}'^2 \right)$$

1000\*St Stanton number

$$St = k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial n} \right|_{wall} / \left[ \rho_{in} V_{in}' C_p (T_{in} - T_{wall}) \right]$$

tmu\_max Maximum values of  $\mu_{urb} / \mu_{lam}$  along each  $i$  grid line. Can be used to identify transition. For the Baldwin-Lomax and Cebeci-Smith models transition occurs where *tmu\_max* jumps abruptly from 0 to  $> cmutm$ . For the  $k-\omega$  model transition occurs more gradually but should be obvious as a rapid growth of *tmu\_max*.

- The table of  $\theta$ -averaged flow variables at the inlet and exit is repeated for the final solution.

## Test Cases

### Flat Plate Boundary Layer



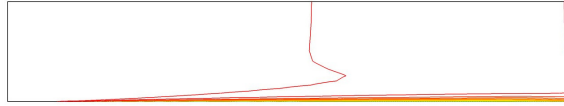


Figure 3. Mach contours for a flat plate boundary layer.

A flat plate boundary layer test case is included to test viscous terms and turbulence models in RVCQ3D. Mach contours for the case are shown in Figure 3. A separate Fortran code `plate.f` is included for generating the flat plate grid. Input variables are hard-coded and described by comments at the top of the code. The RVCQ3D solution uses the central-difference scheme and  $k-\omega$  turbulence model with transition. The Excel spreadsheet `plate.xlsx` compares calculated skin friction to laminar and turbulent power law correlations.

To generate the grid and run RVCQ3D:

```
compile plate.f
a.out
mv fort.1 plate.xyz
plate.csh
```

### **Goldman Turbine Vane**

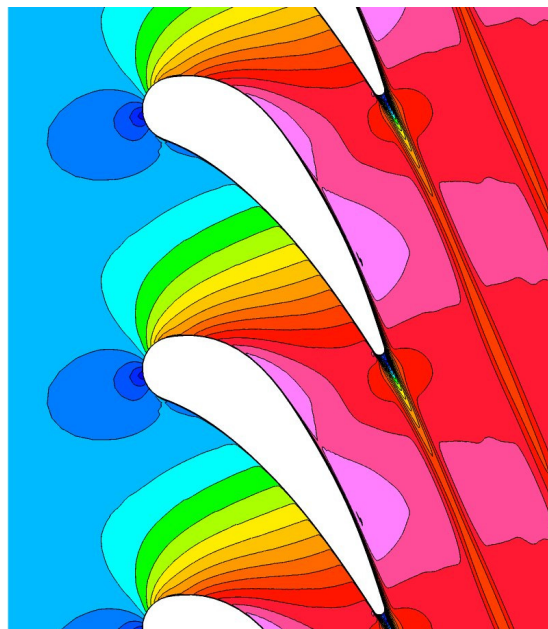


Figure 4. Mach contours for the Goldman annular turbine vane.

The Goldman annular turbine vane is described in [16]. The test case is a blade section at 50 percent span. Mach contours for the solution are shown in Figure 4. The solution uses the  $AUSM^+$  upwind scheme and  $k-\omega$  turbulence model with transition. The Excel spreadsheet `gold.xlsx` shows the residual history, and compares measured and computed vane surface pressures and wake velocity profiles.

To generate the grid and run RVCQ3D:

```
grape < gold.ing
mv fort.1 gold.xyz
gold.csh
```

### NASA Rotor 37 Section at 70 Percent Span



Figure 5. Mach contours for NASA rotor 37 at 70 percent span.

Rotor 37 is an inlet rotor for a core compressor tested originally by Reid and Moore [17, 18] and later by Suder, et al. [19]. The test case is a blade section at 70 percent span. Mach contours for the test case are shown in Figure 5. The stream surface was taken to be a line located 70 percent of the way between the hub and tip, and the height was taken to be the local span, normalized by the inlet span. The H-CUSP upwind scheme and  $k-\omega$  turbulence model with transition were used. At low exit static pressure ratios the AUSM<sup>+</sup> scheme predicts mildly unsteady wakes for this rotor. The H-CUSP scheme is more dissipative and predicts steady flow.

The Excel spreadsheet r37.xlsx compares plots of measured and computed pressure ratio, temperature ratio, adiabatic efficiency, and flow angle versus exit mass flow ratio  $MFR = \dot{m} / \dot{m}_{choke}$ . Mass flow ratio is used because physical mass flow is undefined for the two-dimensional calculations. Several cases were run with different values of prar to generate the CFD data.

To generate the grid and run RVCQ3D:

```
grape < r37.ing  
mv fort.1 r37.xyz  
r37.csh
```

## 6:1 Pressure Ratio Centrifugal Compressor

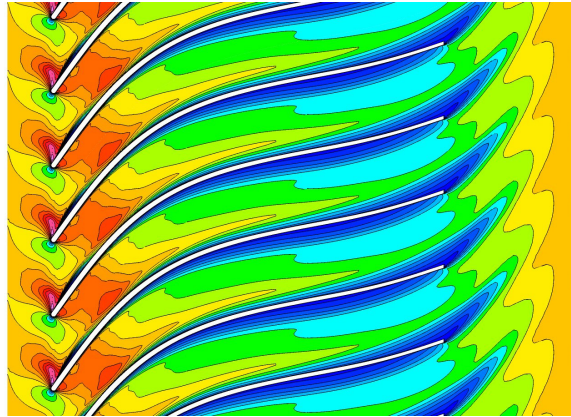


Figure 6. Mach contours for a 6:1 pressure ratio centrifugal compressor.

The 6:1 pressure ratio centrifugal impeller was described in [20], and was used as a test case in the original report on RVCQ3D [2]. The computational grid was generated with GRAPE in the  $(m, \bar{r}\theta)$  plane, where  $\bar{r}$  is a mean radius. Figure 6 shows relative Mach number contours in that plane. Here the flow enters the impeller axially and exits it radially, and the stream surface height decreases gradually with meridional distance. The stream surface data were generated with a meridional analysis. No experimental data is included with this case.

To generate the grid and run RVCQ3D:

```
grape < c6t1.ing  
mv fort.1 c6t1.xyz  
c6t1.csh
```

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## Appendix - File Descriptions

### Grid XYZ-File

Grids are stored using standard PLOT3D xyz-file structure. Grids can be read with the following Fortran code:

```
!      read grid coordinates
      read(1)m,n
      read(1)((x(i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n),
&          ((y(i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n))
```

### Solution Q-File

Solution files are stored in standard PLOT3D q-file structure in the rotating frame of reference. The variables are

$$q = [ \rho, \rho u, \rho v', e ]$$
$$e = \rho \left( C_v T + \frac{1}{2} (u^2 + v'^2) \right)$$

Solution files can be read with the following Fortran code:

```
!      read q-file
      read(2)m,n
      read(2)emir,abir,renr,time
      read(2)((q(k,i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n),k=1,4)

!      additional geometry data and residual history
      read(2)mtl,mil,ires,nres,nmn,g,omega,yscl
      read(2)((resd(nr,l),nr=1,nres),l=1,5)

!      further data for Dan Tweedt's post-processing codes
      read(2)((qq(k,i,n),i=1,m),k=1,4)
      read(2)cfl,dtmin,idum,idum
      read(2)(srsp(l),l=1,nmn)
      read(2)(rmisp(l),l=1,nmn)
      read(2)(bisp(l),l=1,nmn)
```

### Solution k- $\omega$ File

The k- $\omega$  files are also stored in standard PLOT3D q-file structure for convenience. The variables are:

$$wk = [ k, \omega, \mu_{turb}, Re_{turb} ]$$

K- $\omega$  files can be read with the following Fortran code

```
      read(7)m,n
      read(7)emir,abir,renr,float(iter)
      read(7)((wk(1,i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n),
&          ((wk(2,i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n),
&          ((tmu(i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n),
&          ((re(i,j),i=1,m),j=1,n))
```